

# Councilwoman Bonner Visits Newly Renovated Historic Woodhull House in Shoreham

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**Farmingville, NY** - Councilwoman Jane Bonner (left) recently visited the newly renovated Woodhull House in East Shoreham with (left to right) Sid Bail, President of the Wading River Civic Association, Stephanie Bail, President of the Wading River Historical Society and Town Historian Barbara Russell. The Woodhull House is located at 170 North Country Road in Shoreham,

Built sometime around 1720, the house was owned by Josiah Woodhull, grandson of Richard Woodhull, one of the founders of Brookhaven Town. It was home to seven generations of the Woodhull clan until 1926, when it was purchased by Henry Mueller, proprietor of Mueller's Pasta, who named the 160-acre estate Seldoon Farm. In 1936, magazine publisher Ray Gilleaudeau purchased it. Keyspan, which took the property over from LILCO, donated it to Brookhaven Town in 2002.

"It's very satisfying to finally see the Woodhull House renovated," said Councilwoman Bonner. "Landmarks like this are a reminder that Brookhaven Town has a rich history that we must preserve. I commend Sid and Stephanie Bail's determination to see this project through and thank Barbara Russell and our Town's Parks Department for their work in bringing it to fruition."

Mr. Bail said, "Brookhaven did a great job in restoring the exterior of the historic Josiah Woodhull House. Once again it is a beautiful reminder of our past. We eagerly look forward to the restoration of the interior of Wading River's oldest house."

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